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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re:

Application of:

John N. STANIFORTH, et al.

Serial No.:

10/015,538

Filed:

December 13, 2001

For:

A PROCESS FOR PREPARING A DIRECTLY COMPRESSIBLE SOLID DOSAGE FORM CONTAINING MICROCRYSTALLINE

CELLULOSE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 June 17, 2003

Sirs:

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Office Action mailed on December 17, 2002 for three (3) months from March 17, 2003 to June 17, 2003.

A check for \$1092.00 is enclosed, 930.00 of which is to cover the extension fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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